

EVENING BULLETIN.

SATURDAY EVENING, SEPT. 5, 1857.

BY THE FAIR GROUND LINE.
FROM OUR OWN REPORTER.

Proceedings on the Fair Grounds this Morning.

FAIR GROUNDS, Sept. 5.

The exhibition to-day has been superior in point of stock to that of any other day this week. This morning the judges on aged stallions revised their decision of yesterday and gave the blue ribbon to Scythian, the \$7,000 horse of Mr. R. A. Alexander. In the buggy ring to-day the first premium was taken by South Carolina and the second premium by Kentucky. This afternoon we have the grand cavalcade. The exhibition will continue until dark.

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The War Department has sent out orders to the following troops to put themselves in route for Kansas: Ten companies of the 1st Cavalry, under command of Colonel Sumner and Lieutenant Colonel Johnson; seven companies of the 6th Infantry, under the same command; ten companies of the 4th Artillery, from Florida; two companies of the 2d Artillery, from Fort Monroe; two companies of the 2d Artillery, from Fort Sueling; one Light Battery company from Fort McHenry; which, if the average strength of the companies be sixty, will give a force of upwards of two thousand men. General Harney will remain in command of Kansas. Colonel Albert S. Johnston, late from Texas, has been assigned to the command of troops to Utah.

THE GREEN OF KENTUCKY.—What lover in this vicinity the past thirty years has not had thoughts pass through his mind of that haven of all unhappy swains—the classic town in Ohio, opposite to Maysville? The Maysville Eagle, of a late date, says that the place is still in its glory:

THE CONSUMPTION OF TOBACCO, AND WHAT THE PEOPLE OF THIS COUNTRY PAY FOR THE LUXURY.
John of Lancaster, an intelligent correspondent of the Philadelphia Press, publishes some nice calculations relative to the amount of tobacco consumed in this country annually, and its probable cost to the people. It is very interesting, and furnishes matter for serious consideration. He says:

According to the census returns the annual production is about two hundred millions of pounds; and, by allowing a population of twenty-six millions, it would give to every man, woman, and child within a fraction of eight pounds.

Allowing the annual production of tobacco, as stated above, to be worth twenty cents a pound (in the raw state), which is certainly a low figure, it would be worth forty millions of dollars. This would be a sufficient amount to build a school-house, worth six hundred dollars, in every township and parish in the Union.

Out of our population there are at least three millions that chew tobacco; and on an average they will consume three pounds each, costing at least thirty cents a pound, which will amount to almost thirty millions of dollars per annum.

We will certainly be safe in estimating the number of smokers at four millions; and if we allow them an average of only two cigars a day, which is certainly a very moderate number, they would consume eight millions daily, or the enormous amount of two billions nine hundred and twenty millions per annum. Allowing these cigars to cost but two cents each, it would amount to the princely sum of over fifty-eight millions of dollars expended in a single year for this trifling article. These cigars will average six inches in length, making in the aggregate seventeen billions five hundred and twenty millions of inches, or over three hundred thousand miles, which would be sufficient to reach around the earth nearly twelve times.

The snuffing party, including females, will also amount to at least four millions. They will use, on an average, two pounds each per annum, amounting to eight millions. It will cost about twenty-five cents per pound, or two millions of dollars annually.

From the above calculation, it appears that there are nearly one hundred millions of dollars expended annually, by the people of the United States alone, for tobacco in its various uses. What a vast amount for a mere luxury!

IMPORTANT TREASURY CIRCULAR.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, Aug. 31, 1857.

SIR:—This Department has been furnished with undoubted evidence that there is a great difference between iron from different mines in the United States in the degree and rapidity with which they become oxidized. Congress, during the last session, appropriated \$2,500 to test the different irons in this country in that particular. If these experiments shall establish the important fact that we have irons entirely or nearly proof against the corrosion of oxygen, it will multiply the uses of such iron to a very considerable extent for purposes to which it is now applied, and give it the preference over other irons for many purposes for which iron is now used.

The very large extent to which this material is superseding the use of wood and stone in the public buildings, erected at a cost of many millions of dollars annually, under this department, renders it of the greatest importance to know what irons resist for the longest period the action of oxygen. It is hoped that the great interest the iron masters have in the result of this experiment will be considered by the other political parties he is almost sure to be elected.

In San Francisco the Reform party has nominated an excellent ticket, composed of men of all political parties, and citizens not only honest and upright, but men thoroughly identified with the interests of the city and State. There is no doubt of the triumphant election of the ticket.

Ex-Gov. Bigler, U. S. Minister to Chile, left this port for Valparaiso, with his family, on the 29th ult., in the clipper ship Red Rover.

The City.—A meeting of the American party of the city and county of San Francisco, was held on Saturday evening, 18th inst., at Schuppert's Saloon, corner of Jackson and Stockton streets. About two hundred persons were present. The meeting was addressed by Baile Peyton, Esq. A series of resolutions were passed, declaring the vitality of the party, and appointing a Committee to nominate delegates to the State Convention, and a county ticket, "if they see fit."

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